

Mon Dec 21 09:51:26 EST 2020
EPAExecSec <EPAExecSec@epa.gov>
FW: Recent 404 Assumption Decision in Florida
To: "CMS.OEX" <cms.oex@epa.gov>

From: William Sanchez <wsanc021@fiu.edu>
Sent: Sunday, December 20, 2020 9:29 AM
To: andrew.d.kelly@usace.army.mil; 404Assumption-FL <404Assumption-FL@epa.gov>; Wheeler, Andrew <wheeler.andrew@epa.gov>; Gettle, Jeaneanne <Gettle.Jeaneanne@epa.gov>; Ross, David <Ross.David@epa.gov>; Laycock, Kelly <Laycock.Kelly@epa.gov>; Aguirre, Janita <Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov>
Subject: Recent 404 Assumption Decision in Florida

To whom it may concern,

The recent decision to give 404 permitting to the State of Florida from the Federal government is of great concern for many reasons. One and the most important of all in my view is that of diminishing the Tribal Sovereignty of the great Miccosukee and Seminole Tribes here in Florida. These two Tribes are interconnected to the Greater Everglades as a place that has for many generations given them a safe place to live and continue in their rich culture as well as at one time hide themselves from the atrocious acts of this so called United States of America that pretends to hold legal rights of being an organized nation here but is truly illegally occupying these lands since its so called “revolution”. The Miccosukee and Seminole Tribes are being left out of the conversation as they should be legally consulted with any time they request one and frankly as part of the Federal trust responsibility, the Federal government should also initiate meetings instead of waiting for Tribes to request only to be denied. Please start honestly and transparently working with them for once since 1776.

Secondly, the lack of awareness or care of the environment on the part of the State of Florida has been and still is concerning to many people who know what is affecting the Greater Everglades therefore giving the State of Florida power of the approval process of 404 permitting is of upmost concern as the state already has little money to do what it needs to be doing already so to imagine it can take this on is hard to believe and already hard to trust in the eyes of many.

I hope that you all will reconsider this erroneous move and retract this before its too late for the people of the Sovereign Tribes of the Miccosukee and Seminole of Florida. This is another example of a Trail of Broken Treaties/Promises on behalf of your agencies and I would hope that soon you would realize this and start to make things right.

As a citizen of this country I beg you to reconsider as these are my friends and even some my chosen family and it breaks my heart to keep seeing this government keep hurting them year after year. Also please consider the future generations that will suffer from your decision.

William Sanchez

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)